

**REGULAR MEETING
GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
September 13, 2007 – 3:30 P.M.
TRIBAL OFFICE BOARDROOM**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call. CHAIRPERSON Laurie Boivin called the meeting to order at 3:40 p.m. Roll call was taken with a quorum present. MEMBERS PRESENT: Laurie Boivin, Regina Washinawatok, Kathy Kaquatosh, Mary Wayka, JD Shatswell and Jeremy Weso. MEMBERS ABSENT: Ben Kaquatosh.
2. Moment of Silence. A moment of silence was observed.
3. Approval of Minutes dated August 9, 2007.

Corrections needed:

Page 1, item 4, last paragraph and motion; the phrase should be “like rates” not “liking rates”;

Page 2, item 5, add the word “next” before fiscal year and

Page 2, item 5, the word should be ensure, not insure.

Motion made by JD Shatswell to approve the minutes dated August 9, 2007 with noted corrections. Second was by Kathy Kaquatosh. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 4 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 2 absent (Kaquatosh and Washinawatok).

4. Amendment to Ordinance 95-04: Adding the Historic Preservation Officer and Environmental Services Director to the Tribal Forestry Committee.

This request is from a motion made at the Menominee Tribal Legislature dated August 7, 2007 to add these two members to the Tribal Forestry Committee.

Jeremy Weso will draft the amendment to the ordinance in accordance with the Rules of the Legislature and forward this change for the first meeting in October, 2007.

Motion made by Jeremy Weso to adopt the change to Ordinance #95-04 as recommended by the Tribal Forestry Committee and approved by the Legislature on August 7, 2007 and to forward the amendment to the Menominee Tribal Legislature at their first meeting in October. Second was by JD Shatswell. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 4 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 2 absent (Kaquatosh and Washinawatok).

5. Charter of the Menominee Fuel Station (Ordinance #05-29): Review and Recommendations.

There was a motion from the Menominee Tribal Legislature for this committee to review the ordinance.

There was a concern about a number in the quorum. It was suggested to have a five member board with one of these members being a legislator and a member from the Finance Department; the terms should be staggered and the term increased. There is also no compensation for serving on this board.

Members of the Fuel Station Board informed the committee of their duties and responsibilities.

The Fuel Station Board currently is not compensated and if Board members are employees with the Tribe and the Board meets during the lunch hour; this could raise an issue with the Tribe being in violation of our indirect cost agreement.

Motion made by Jeremy Weso to recommend to the Legislature to amend Ordinance 05-29 Charter of the Menominee Fuel Station to stagger the terms of its membership; to add two additional members; to require that one of those members be a person selected by the Financial Manager; that the compensation be fixed at \$50.00 plus mileage and that one member of the Board be a member of the Legislature recommended by the Tribal Chairman and approved by the full Legislature. Second was by JD Shatswell. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 5 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 1 absent (Kaquatosh).

7. Other Business.

No other business.

8. Adjournment.

Motion made by Jeremy Weso/JD Shatswell to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Linda Peters, Recorder/Transcriber